IN THE U.S. PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Harald KRAUS et al. Conf. 2464

Application No. 10/588,766 Group 1792

Filed August 8, 2006 Examiner Roberts Culbert

METHOD FOR SELECTIVE ETCHING

AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

April 21, 2009

Sir:

In response to the non-final Official Action November 21, 2008, for which the period for response has been extended <u>two</u> months, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 5 of this response.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 8 of this paper and include both an attached replacement sheet and an annotated sheet showing changes.

Remarks begin on page 9 of this paper.

An $\mbox{\bf Appendix}$ is attached following the signature page of this paper.